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HYBRID TEA ROSE PLANT NAMED 'BRONZE SUNSET'

5 CLASSIFICATION

The present invention relates to a new *Rosaceae* plant.

VARIETY DENOMINATION

The new plant has the varietal denomination 'BRONZE SUNSET'.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety of rose plant of the hybrid tea rose of the genus *Rosaceae* which was created by crossing as seed and pollen parents two (2) unknown rose varieties. The varietal denomination of the new variety is 'BRONZE SUNSET'.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Among the novel characteristics possessed by this new variety which distinguishes it from other varieties of which I am aware, is its orange flowers.

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Asexual reproduction by propagation by budding of the new variety as performed in Wasco, California shows that the foregoing and other distinguishing characteristics come true to form and are established and transmitted through succeeding propagations.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATION

5 The accompanying illustration shows typical specimens of the
flowers and foliage of the new variety depicted in color as
nearly true as it is reasonably possible to make the same in a
color illustration of this character.

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The following is a detailed description of 2-year budded
5 plants of the new variety , with color terminology in accordance
with *The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart* (RHSCC). The
terminology used in color description herein refers to plate
numbers in the aforementioned color chart. Phenotypic expression
may vary with light availability, environmental and cultural
10 conditions.

PLANT

15 Form: Spreading
Growth: Vigorous; sprawling
Size: Height about 52 inches; width
 about 48 inches

20 Foliage

 Size: Terminal leaflet length about
 2 1/2 inches; width about 1
 9/16 inches

25 Quantity: Usually 5 compound leaflet
 leaves, occasionally compound
 7 leaflet leaves

New foliage: Upper side near 137B; under
side near 148A

Mature foliage: Upper side near 139A; under
side near 137B

Upper side: Smooth, semi-glossy

35 Under side: Matte

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	Edge:	Serrated
5	Petioles:	Top surface color near 138C; Under side near 138C
	Stipules:	Medium length
	Auricle:	Light red brown near 59C fading to green near 137B
10	Rachis:	Few prickles

WOOD

New shoots

	Bark:	Smooth
15	Wood:	Near 59C

Old wood

	Bark:	Lots of prickles
	Wood:	Near 137D
20	Flowering stem:	Length about 18 inches
	Winter Hardiness:	Completely winter hardy

Preferred growing
conditions:

Likes full sun

Growth habit:

Vigorous

25 Leaves per stem:

About 5

Prickles/Thorns:

Mature thorns about 1/8 inch
long, color near 149B
slightly tipped with red at
tip, base near 59A

30 FLOWER, INFLORESCENCE

Blooming Habit:

Recurrent

Bud

About 1 1/4 inches long,
1 1/2 inches wide

35 Form:

Triangular

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	Color:	Before sepals divide color near 169A; when sepals first divide color near 170B; when petals begin to unfurl color near 41A
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	Sepals	
	Size:	Length in relation to bud, about 1 1/4 inches in length, 1/4 inch wide, small extensions, usually 5 sepals per bloom
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	Color	Topside near 164B; bottom near 137C
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	Peduncle	
	Length:	About 2 1/2 inches, smooth, slight anthocyanin in coloration, color near 57B
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	Strength:	Strong
	Color:	Near 148C
	Flower	
	Size:	About 4 1/4 inches
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	Borne:	Single
	Form:	Relative good form; high centered; unfurls to loose ruffled at maturity
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	Petalage:	About 25
	Petaloids in center:	None
	Persistence:	Petals do not drop
	Fragrance:	Slight

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Lasting Quality: About 2 weeks on plant; about
6 days after cutting

5 Color

During first 2 days: Inner petals at flower center
topside near 41A; bottom near
19A; outer petals topside
near 43A, bottom near 16C

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Base of petals

(Point of attachment):

Near 17B

General tonality from a
distance:

Bronze

15 Color Change:

Slightly darkens; remains the
same after 3 or more days

Petals

Texture:

Thick / rigid

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Shape:

Wide at top, tapered to
narrow bottom, petals
reflexed to a point

Arrangement:

Loose around pistils

Appearance:

Satiny

25 REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS

Arrangement of stamens,
Filaments and Anthers:

Near 163B; regularly arranged
around styles, about 100
anthers and filaments

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Color:

Filaments near 162C; Anthers
near 161C

Pollen:

Near 168A

Styles:

Bunched, uneven length

Stigmas:

Normal; color near 16C

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Hips/Seed Vessels/Ovaries

5 Shape: Oval
 Size: About 1/2 inch
 Color: Near 143B
 Seeds: No seeds

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